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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Friday, 19 December 1997

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m.	3842nd (resumed) meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina

   Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina (S/1997/966)

Morning*	3843rd meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Croatia

   Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Transitional Administration for Eastern Slavonia, Baranja and Western Sirmium (S/1997/953 and Add.1)

Morning**	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Iraq (S/1997/987)

Other matters

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* Following the adjournment of the 3842nd (resumed) meeting

** Following the adjournment of the 3843rd meeting.

MILITARY STAFF COMMITTEE

11 a.m.- 1 p.m.	1368th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 9

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

3 p.m. 78th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. United Nations reform: measures and proposals [157]:

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/51/950 and Add.1-7);

   (b) Draft resolution (A/52/L.72/Rev.1).

2. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: emergency international assistance for peace, normalcy and reconstruction of war-stricken Afghanistan: the situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security [20 (c) and 43]:

   (a) Draft resolution (A/52/L.68);

   (b) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/740).

3. Strengthening of the United Nations system: draft decision (A/52/L.71) [60].

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	45th meeting	Conference Room 3

1. Programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997 [115]

   Report of the Secretary-General on the second performance report (A/C.5/52/32)

2. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 [116]

   Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/52/L.72: United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/C.5/52/36)

   Ninth report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on salary and retirement allowance of the Secretary-General and salary and pensionable remuneration of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme (A/52/7/Add.8)*

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* To be issued.

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 116 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 (A/52/6/Rev.1 (Vol. I and II) and Add.1, A/52/16 and Add.1, A/52/7 and Chapter II, Parts I-XII and Add.1-2, A/51/950 and Corr.1 (Arabic only) and Add.1-7, A/52/303 and Add.1, A/C.5/51/53, A/C.5/51/57, A/C.5/52/15, A/C.5/52/20 and A/C.5/52/27))

Afternoon*- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 3

Informal consultations on agenda item 120 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment for the expenses of the United Nations (A/51/11 and Corr.1-2))

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* Following the adjournment of the 45th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

Organizational matters

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

COMMITTEE FOR DEVELOPMENT PLANNING

WORKING GROUP III

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

Review of the criteria and methodology for determining the list of the least developed countries and examination of a possible vulnerability index

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Friday, 19 December 1997

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World Bank Seminar

An informal presentation on the theme "The Enabling Environment for Private Sector Development in a Globalized World" by Mr. Jean-François Rischard, Vice-President and Head of the World Bank Network for Finance, Private Sector Development and Infrastructure, will take place *today* Friday, 19 December 1997, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. All members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Announcement

As from Thursday, 4 December 1997, and for the rest of the month, the President of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place at 1.15 p.m. or upon completion of the Council's deliberations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Commission for Sustainable Development will hold the first meeting of its sixth session, for the purpose of electing its Bureau, on Monday, 22 December 1997, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 1.

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The Committee on Non-governmental Organizations will hold its resumed 1997 session at United Nations Headquarters from 12 to 16 January 1998, in Conference Room 4. The agenda is contained in document E/C.2/1997/1.

In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 1997/297, the Committee will also meet at United Nations Headquarters from 19 to 23 January 1998, to consider enlargement of the Committee and issues related to the Committee's methods of work.

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Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

The Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will hold pre-session informal consultations on all matters before the first regular session 1998 and in particular on document DP/1998/3 on the review of policy implications of change on core and non-core funding. The meeting will be held on Tuesday, 6 January 1998, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

The first regular session 1998 of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will be held from 19 to 23 January 1998 in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The session will resume on Monday, 26 January 1998, at 3 p.m. for a joint meeting with the Executive Board of UNICEF.

The provisional agenda, annotations, list of documents and work plan are contained in document DP/1998/L.1.

Delegations, as well as observers, are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board (906-5634) as soon as possible, but no later than 12 January 1998.

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United Nations Development Programme

The United Nations Development Programme will hold informal consultations on UNDP funding strategy on Thursday, 8 January 1998, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5. All interested delegations are invited.

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United Nations Children's Fund

Intersessional meeting

An intersessional meeting on budget matters will take place on Wednesday, 7 January 1998, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Pre-session information briefing

An informal pre-session information briefing on matters before the Executive Board at its first regular session for 1998 (26-28 and 30 January 1998) will take place on Friday, 16 January 1998, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

First Regular Session

The first regular session for 1998 of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from 26 to 28 and 30 January 1998 at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/1998/2.

Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the Secretary of the Executive Board (326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than 21 January 1998. In accordance with rule 50(2) of the rules of procedure and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate with their credentials their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, 18 December 1997

SECURITY COUNCIL

3842nd meeting

The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina (S/1997/966)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Argentina, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Canada, Croatia, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Norway, Pakistan, Slovenia, Turkey and Ukraine, at their request, to participate in the discussion without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/1997/989, which had been submitted by France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Portugal, the Russian Federation, Sweden, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard statements by the representatives of Chile and Japan, and by the President, the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Worship of Costa Rica, speaking in his national capacity.

Statements were also made by the representatives of Kenya, China, the Russian Federation, Portugal, Poland, Sweden, the United Kingdom, France, Egypt, the Republic of Korea, Guinea-Bissau, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Pakistan and Norway.

The meeting was suspended.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

76th plenary meeting

Assistance in mine clearance [41]:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/52/679)

(b) Draft resolution (A/52/L.69)

The President made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Republic of Korea, the Sudan, Australia and Angola.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/52/L.69 (resolution 52/173).

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of China and Cuba.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 41.

Declaration of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity on the aerial and naval military attack against the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya by the present United States Administration in April 1986 [51]

The General Assembly decided to defer consideration of the item and to include it in the provisional agenda of the fifty-third session.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 51.

Armed Israeli aggression against the Iraqi nuclear installations and its grave consequences for the established international system concerning the peaceful uses of nuclear energy, the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons and international peace and security [52]

The General Assembly decided to defer consideration of the item and to include it in the provisional agenda of the fifty-third session.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 52.

Consequences of the Iraqi occupation of and aggression against Kuwait [53]

The General Assembly decided to defer consideration of the item and to include it in the provisional agenda of the fifty-third session.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 53.

Implementation of the resolutions of the United Nations [54]

The General Assembly decided to defer consideration of the item and to include it in the provisional agenda of the fifty-third session.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 54.

Launching of global negotiations on international economic cooperation for development [56]

The General Assembly decided to defer consideration of the item and to include it in the provisional agenda of the fifty-third session.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 56.

Question of the Comorian island of Mayotte [55]

The representative of the Comoros made a statement.

The General Assembly decided to defer consideration of the item and to include it in the provisional agenda of the fifty-third session.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 55.

Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections: election of seven members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination: note by the Secretary-General (A/52/440/Add.1) [16 (b)]

The General Assembly was reminded that, at its 35th plenary meeting on 22 October 1997, the General Assembly had elected seven members to the Committee for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 1998 and that there had remained two vacancies from among the Western European and Other States to be acted on upon the nomination by the Economic and Social Council of two States from among the Western European and Other States for a term of office beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1999

Since the number of candidates nominated by the Economic and Social Council from among the Western European and Other States did not exceed the number of seats to be filled in the region, Italy was declared elected member of the Committee for Programme and Coordination for a term of office beginning on 18 December 1997 and expiring on 31 December 1999.

In view of the remaining vacancy to be filled from among the Western European and Other States, the Assembly decided to retain sub-item (b) of agenda item 16 on the agenda of its fifty-second session.

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 16.

The situation of democracy and human rights in Haiti [44]:

(a) Draft resolution (A/52/L.65)

(b) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/737)

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution (resolution 52/174).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 44.

The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development [45]:

(a) Letter from the Secretary-General to the President of the General-Assembly (A/52/731)

(b) Draft resolutions (A/52/L.19/Rev.1 and L.31)

(c) Reports of the Fifth Committee (A/52/725 and A/52/736)

The General Assembly took note of the letter from the Secretary-General contained in document A/52/731.

The Assembly adopted draft resolutions A/52/L.19/Rev.1 and L.31 (resolutions 52/175 and 52/176).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 45.

Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments: appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/674/Rev.1) [17 (e)]

The General Assembly, as recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/52/674/Rev.1), appointed the following persons as members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 1998: Mr. Chittharanjan Felix Amerasinghe, Mr. Victor Yenyi Olungu and Mr. Hubert Thierry.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (e) of agenda item 17.

Financing of the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/690) [138]

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/52/690).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 138.

Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/453/Add.1) [142 (a)]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of Part II of its report (A/52/453/Add.1) (resolution 52/177).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 142.

Credentials of representatives to the fifty-second session of the General Assembly: report of the Credentials Committee (A/52/719) [3 (b)]

The representative of the United Arab Emirates made a statement.

Statements in explanation of vote were made by the representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran and Pakistan.

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Credentials Committee in paragraph 13 of its report (A/52/719) (resolution 52/178).

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Afghanistan and Pakistan.

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 3.

77th plenary meeting

Note: The summary of the 77th plenary meeting will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1997/246)

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE 44th meeting

Note: The summary of the 44th meeting of the Fifth Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1997/246)

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Resumed substantive session of 1997

46th meeting

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [1]

The Council resumed consideration of the item.

The representative of Germany announced , on the basis of informal consultations, proposed themes for the high-level segment, the coordination segment and the operational activities segment of the 1998 substantive session of the Council.

The Council then adopted the themes.

After the adoption of the themes, statements were made in explanation of position, by the representatives of the United States, Canada, Chile, Australia, Japan, Cuba and China.

Statements were made by the observers for Egypt, New Zealand, the United Republic of Tanzania (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and Indonesia.

Coordination, programme and other questions [6]

(i) Proclamation of international years

The Council resumed consideration of the item and the representative of Germany reported on the informal consultations that had taken place on the item.

The Council then agreed to postpone consideration of the item to its organizational session in February, 1998.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Philippines and Côte d'Ivoire.

Report, conclusions and recommendations of subsidiary bodies [7]

(d) Human rights

Recommendations contained in the report of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights at its sixteenth session (E/1997/L.23 and Add.2)

The Council agreed to postpone consideration of this item, pending provision of additional information by the Secretariat.

The representative of the United States made a statement.

Implementation of General Assembly resolution 50/227 [12]

The Council resumed consideration of the item and had before it a draft decision submitted by the Vice-President of the Council, Mr. Anwarul Karim Chowdhury (Bangladesh), submitted by him on the basis of informal consultations (E/1997/L.63).

The President of the Council proposed an oral amendment to the draft decision.

The Council then adopted the draft decision, as orally amended.

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [1]

Elections, nominations, appointments and confirmations

The Council resumed consideration of the item and a statement was made by the representative of the Secretariat regarding elections to the Programme Coordination Board of the Joint and Co-sponsored UN Programme on Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome.

The observer for Algeria made a statement.

Other matters

The President made a statement in reference to the two notes which had been circulated to the Council at the 45th meeting.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union), the United States, the Philippines, Canada, Cuba and Turkey.

A statement was made by the observer for Egypt.

Closure of the session

The President declared closed the substantive session of the Economic and Social Council of 1997.

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